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EMPLOYMENT ASSURANCE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has strongly opposed the economic feasibility of the Employment Assurance Scheme;

(b) if so, the mode of financial resources to be mobilised;

(c) the procedure for providing employment to the unemployed under the scheme; and

(d) the minimum qualifications for providing employment?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M. V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (d): Government is committed to the implementation of National Rural Employment Guarantee Act which aims to enhance livelihood security to the poor households in the rural areas by providing at least 100-days of guaranteed wage employment to every poor household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual labour. The details of the scheme would be known only after the National Rural Employment Act is passed by the Parliament.